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INTRODUCTION

Adjustment transactions are entered on an 'Adjustment document'. Any type of adjustment transaction can be entered, using transaction codes such as 27A/27B, 268/269, 170R/170, 108R/101, etc. The general steps to enter an adjustment are:

- Assign a Document Number and a Batch Type and save the document in the application.
- Enter individual transactions and the fiscal coding. NOTE: The **Balance** of the adjustment document, indicated on the **Documents** screen of the application, must be zero in order to complete the fiscal coding or distribution.
- Authorize and approve the adjustment document. After the final level of approval, the transactions are automatically released as a batch to STARS. The batch numbers are automatically incremented from 001 to 899.

In addition, you can attach or view any scanned supporting documentation needed for the transactions. See Attaching Scanned Documents.

TO CREATE AN ADJUSTMENT DOCUMENT

To create a new adjustment document, be sure you are on the **Documents** screen:

- 1. Click the **Document** tab.
- 2. Enter an eight character alphanumeric document number in the **Doc** # field. The **Doc** # is a required field.
- 3. Select a **Batch Type** from the drop down menu: **A Adjustments**, **1 Budgetary**, **2 Receipts/Revenue**, **3 Expenditures/Enc**, **5 General**.

Figure 1 - New document



- 4. Enter a date in the **Effective Date** field or click the calendar icon to select a date.
- 5. Enter a 30 character **Description** if desired.
- 6. If desired, enter a **Group** name or click the asterisk and then select a previously created group from the drop down menu. A group name helps to organize and find documents in the application, e.g., on the **Status** or **Reports** screen.
- 7. Enter a **Comment** if desired. (Click the plus sign to expand the comments text box.)
- 8. Click **Save & Continue**. The information you have entered will remain on screen and the adjustment transaction grid will be displayed.
 - Click Save & Clear to save the document (without entering transactions on a transaction grid) and clear the fields.
 - Click Save as Template if you intend to create only a template to use for future adjustment transactions. See the Creating and Using Templates document for more information.
 - Click **New Document** to clear all fields without saving and start over.

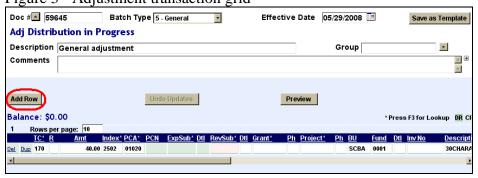
Figure 2 - Saved adjustment



TO ADD TRANSACTIONS AND ENTER FISCAL CODES

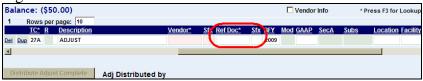
1. Click **Add Row** to create the first row of the adjustment transaction grid in order to enter the adjustment transactions and the fiscal coding.

Figure 3 - Adjustment transaction grid



- 2. Enter a transaction code in the **TC** field. **TC** is a required field. If you are not sure which transaction code to use, you can look up transaction codes and select one (see step 6a).
- 3. Press TAB or click into another field. The transaction code will be validated and other fiscal code fields required by the transaction code will be highlighted in pink. You can <u>save</u> your document without entering fiscal codes in these particular fields. However, these fields must be filled in when the distribution is marked as <u>complete</u> (step 10).
- 4. If the transaction code should be a reversal, enter a reversal indicator in the **R** field.
- 5. Enter the amount of the adjustment in the **AMT** field.
- 6. If you are using a Reference Document Number (**RefDoc**), enter it or use the lookup to find and select it. If you use the lookup, any associated fiscal coding will be automatically entered. If you enter it, click **Save & Continue** and any associated fiscal coding will be automatically entered.

Figure 4 - Reference document number

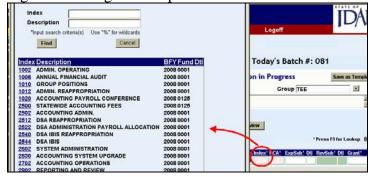


7. Enter the remainder of the fiscal coding needed for the adjustment. You can perform lookups in any fiscal code field designated with an asterisk and your data entry will be validated:

To look up a fiscal code:

- a. Place the cursor in a designated field and press F3.
- b. In the look up dialog box, enter any combination of search criteria (PCA, Index, or whatever is applicable). You can enter just the first few numbers or letters or use the wildcard (%).
- c. Click Find.
- d. Click the fiscal code you want to use. For example, click the PCA you want to use and the PCA field and any other fiscal codes associated with it will be automatically filled in. NOTE: The **TC** field will not automatically fill in related fiscal codes.





Data entry validation:

- a. Enter a fiscal code into a designated field.
- b. Press TAB to move to the next field or click in another field. If the data entry is valid, it will automatically fill in any other fiscal codes associated with it. If the fiscal code is invalid, an error message will be displayed.
- c. When you mark the adjustment document as complete, any fields that are invalid will cause an error message to be displayed and the fiscal code fields that are invalid will be highlighted.
- 8. Click **Add Row** to create an additional row for your adjustments.
 - a. Click **Dup** if you want to create a duplicate of the first row (to keep the same fiscal coding, etc.).
 - b. Click **Del** if you want to delete a row.
 - c. Click **Undo Updates** to clear all unsaved rows
- 9. Continue with adding the fiscal coding by entering the **TC** first, as described above. NOTE: If you have several lines of transactions and want to view them, along with descriptive titles of the fiscal codes (**PCA**, **Grant**, etc.) click **Preview**. If there is a line in the preview that you need to edit, click **Select**.
- 10. Click **Save & Continue**. Note the **Balance**. The balance will update when you save the document and it must be zero. This reflects transactions that debit or credit GL accounts 1003 and 1005.
 - Click **Save & Clear** to save the document as is and clear the fields.
 - Click New Document to clear all fields without saving and start a new document.





- 11. When finished, click **Distribute Adjust Complete**. (NOTE: The **Balance** must be zero for this button to be available.) Any fields that are invalid will cause an error message to be displayed and the invalid fiscal code fields will be highlighted.
- 12. The document is then ready to be approved.

13. If desired, click **Save as Template** to save the adjustment document as a template to use for future adjustments. If you have already saved the document, you would then have both a document and a template. For more information about templates, see the Creating and Using Templates document.

Figure 7 - Save as Template



TO SEARCH FOR EXISITING DOCUMENT NUMBERS

You can search for an existing document on the **Documents** screen if you need to complete the data entry or use it for a new document (see below).

- 1. On the **Documents** screen, click the asterisk next to the **Doc** # field.
- 2. In the look up dialog box, enter any combination of search criteria (e.g., document number, transaction code, etc.). You can enter just the first few numbers or letters or use the wildcard (%).
- 3. Click Find.
- 4. Click **Select** next to a document.
- 5. Complete the document and distribution as needed.

TO CREATE A NEW DOCUMENT FROM AN EXISTING DOCUMENT

You can open an existing document to use its fiscal coding or distribution in a new document that has similar adjustment transactions to process. If you plan on re-using the document often, you could save it as a template.

- 1. Open an existing document either from the **Status** screen or from the document look up on the **Documents** screen.
- 2. Change the **Document** # and then press TAB.
- 3. Change the **Batch Type**, **Description**, **Comments**, and/or any fiscal coding or distribution as needed.
- 4. Click **Save As & Continue** (to keep the document displayed) or **Save As & Clear** (to clear the document from the screen). NOTE: Keep **Save Detail** checked to save all of the distribution and fiscal coding lines. If unchecked, the document is saved with no distribution rows or fiscal coding.

